S/N 10/629,493

PATENT

IN THE WITED STACES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Stillman

Examiner:

Unknown

Serial No.:

10/629,493

Group Art Unit:

3632

Filed:

07/29/03

Docket No.:

By:

13560.0001USC1

Title:

HOLDER FOR SUPPORTING A CLEANING UTENSIL

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on February 13, 2004.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) and § 1.98(d), copies have been provided only for those items listed on the enclosed Form 1449 that have not previously been cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in parent application, U.S. Serial No. 09/814,352 filed on March 21, 2001, issued as Patent No. 6,619,604 on September 16, 2003.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,

MERCHANT & GOULD P.C.

P.O. Box 2903

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-0903

(612) 332-5300

Date: Fcb. 3, 2004

Katherine M. DeVries Smith

Reg. No. 42,157 KDS:PLSdb

23552
PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

2

Date Mailed: February 3

Sheet 1 of 1

FORM 1449*	INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STA	TEONT PE
	IN AN APPLICATION	FEB 0 9 2004 S

Docket Number:	Application Number:
13560.0001USC1	10/629,493

Applicant: Stillman

(Use several sheets if necessary)				Filing D	ate: 07/29/03	Group Art Unit: 3632		
		No.	TA TRADE					
		τ	J.S. PATENT DOCU	MENTS				
EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE NAME		CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE		
	2,456,174	12/1948	Clark					
<u> </u>	2,712,709	7/1955	Pulrang					
	3,185,537	10/1963	Wright					
	5,340,070	8/1994	Soma					
	5,657,954	8/1997	Emery et al.					
	2,202,242	05/28/1940	Wortham					
	4,309,014	01/05/1982	Blaszkowski					
	4,696,447	09/29/1987	Strecker					
	4,779,829	10/25/1988	Rocke et al.					
	5,039,046		Brewster					
r	Des. 322,554	12/24/1991	Amussen					
	5,114,106	05/19/1992	Daugherty et al.					
	Des. 333,583	03/02/1993	Hurd					
	Des. 369,049	04/23/1996	Scaglione					
	Des. 370,375	06/04/1996	Murgida et al.					
	Des. 371,735	07/16/1996	Motta					
	5,947,432	09/07/1999	Reddin et al.				,	
	6,113,048	09/05/2000	Shire					
	6,142,432	11/07/2000	Amussen				,	
	6,152,294	11/28/2000	Weinberg					
			<u> </u>					
	T		TS (Including Author, T					
	Sink Brush	Holder by Jokari,	Jokari/US, Inc., 1205 V	enture Cou	rt, Carrollton,	TX 75006 USA (a c	opy of the add is attached)	

EXAMINER DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form for next communication to the Applicant.